(b) Government have not come to any decision on the point. The results of the Survey are awaited.

'Officiate' and 'Acting'—import.

416. **Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.**—Will the Government be pleased to state with reference to Cochin Government Gazette, Extraordinary, dated 24th Kumbham 1108 whether the expression 'Officiate' in Notification No. 200 and the word, 'acting' in Notification No. 201 are used synonymously?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is it with reference to these particular notifications or as a general rule that these words are used synonymously?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—They have become synonymous now.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know how they have become synonymous? Is it according to the dictionary meaning?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—No, according to article 70, C. S. R.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know what it is?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—That article uses the word 'officiating' and does not use the word 'acting', which was in vogue then.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is it brought about by any correction?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know what that correction is?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It says that if an officer officiates in another post he is entitled to allowance, etc., I have not got the copy of the C. S. R. here.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.— When was that brought about?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Eight or 9 months ago.

Combination of appointments—provision for.

417. **Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether an officer who is 'acting' in any particular place or office can hold any other office at the same time;

(b) if so, under which Standing Order or any other Government rules?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) Yes.

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(b) Under Art. 70 C. S. R. as amended by the 83rd list of corrections.

Social functions at the cost of the State in December 1932.

418. **Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) all the social functions held at the cost of the State in the month of December 1932 ;

(b) the amount of money spent for each of them ;

(c) to what heads of expenditure they were debited ;

(d) the places where the social functions were held and the buildings or premises in which they were held ;

(e) the list of those invited for each of the functions respectively ;

(f) what rule, principle or convention, social or otherwise, was followed in the preparation of the list for the various functions ;

(g) who were the officers in charge of the functions and the preparation of the list ;

(h) what directions were given them by the Government in the matter of the preparation of the list ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) A Garden Party given on the occasion of the visit of Hon: Sir Joseph Bhore.

(b) Rs. 1,925—7—8.

(c) "34. Miscellaneous—Entertainment of State Guests".

(d) The Garden Party was held at the Hill Palace.

(e) 497. No public purpose will be served by publishing the names.

(f) Members of the Ruling family, Members of the Legislative Council, important officials, prominent members of the Bar, Doctors, Businessmen, Journalists and members of other professions.

(g) The arrangements in connection with the Garden Party were with the Secretary to the Diwan and his staff. The list of guests was prepared by the Government.

(h) Does not arise in view of the answer to the latter part of sub-division (g).

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—(e) May I know who decided these ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The Government.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—May I know whether there is any harm in obliging the suggestion from this side ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I do not understand the question.

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